GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Revenue Department - Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Ravikamatham Mandal (now retired) of erstwhile Visakhapatnam District and presently Anakapalli District - Initiation of disciplinary proceedings under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Articles of charge - Issued.

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REVENUE (VIGILANCE.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.1047 **Dated:06 -12-2022**

G.O.Ms.No.72, Revenue(Vig.I) Dept., Dt.19.03.2021

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ORDER:

In pursuance to the G.O read above, it is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Ravikamatham Mandal (now retired) of erstwhile Visakhapatnam District and presently Anakapalli District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charge (Annexure- I). A statement of imputations of misconduct/ misbehaviour in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charge proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexures-III& IV).

3. Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Ravikamatham Mandal (now retired) of erstwhile Visakhapatnam District and presently Anakapalli District is directed to submit, within 10 days from the date of receipt of this order, a written statement of his defence.

4. Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Ravikamatham Mandal (now retired) of erstwhile Visakhapatnam District and presently Anakapalli District is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Ravikamatham Mandal (now retired) of erstwhile Visakhapatnam District and presently Anakapalli District is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para 3 above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Ravikamatham Mandal (now retired) of erstwhile Visakhapatnam District and presently Anakapalli District is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Ravikamatham Mandal (now retired) of erstwhile Visakhapatnam District and presently Anakapalli District is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the Order be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G. SAI PRASAD
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Ravikamatham Mandal (now retired) of erstwhile Visakhapatnam District and presently Anakapalli District (through the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri)

The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri (with a request to serve the order on the individual and furnish served copy of this G.O. within a week).

The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri

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Copy to:

The District Collector, Anakapalli District

The District Collector, Visakhapatnam District(to pursue the matter with District officials of the Anakapalli District)

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ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI PUMA MAHESWARA RAO, FORMER TAHSILDAR, RAVIKAMATHAM MANDAL (NOW RETIRED) OF ERSTWHILE VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT AND PRESENTLY ANAKAPALLI DISTRICT.

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ARTICLE OF CHARGE No.1:-

That, Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Ravikamatham Mandal (now retired) of erstwhile Visakhapatnam District and presently Anakapalli District with the active support of the Revenue Divisional Officer, Narsipatnam has changed the record in favor of Eedala Jogi Raju, S/o Paidaiah instead of Eedala Jogi, S/o Somanna in 1B Record for the land measuring Ac. 14.13cts covered by Sy. No. 153/4 of Cheemalapadu Village, Ravikamatham Mandal. Subsequently the land measuring Ac.11.14cts was transferred in favour of Korada people vide red Doc No.4921/2015 and No.1922/2015. But, no records are available as to how the then Tahsildar (Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao) has arrived to confirm the right in favour of Sri Eedala Jogi Raju since there is no relation between the original pattadar Sri Bedala Jogi and Eedala Jogi Raju whose name was deliberately mutated in the Revenue Records.

ARTICLE OF CHARGE No.2:-

That, Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Ravikamatham Mandal (now retired) of erstwhile Visakhapatnam District and presently Anakapalli District with the active support of the Revenue Divisional Officer, Narsipatnam has changed the record in favor of Eedala Jogi Raju, S/o Paidaiah instead of Eedala jogi, S/o Somanna in 1B Record for the land measuring Ac. 11.13cts covered by Sy.No. 153/4 of Cheemalapadu Village, Ravikamatham Mandal. Subsequently the land measuring Ac.11.14cts was transferred in favour of Korada people vide reg. Doc. No.4921/2015 and No.1922/2015. But, no records are available as to how the then Tahsildar (Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao) has arrived to confirm the right in favour of Sri Eedala Jogi Raju since there is no relation between the original pattadar Sri Bedala Jogi and Eedula Jogi Raju whose name was deliberately mutated in the Revenue Records.Thus, he has colluded with the unlawful persons, cooperated for impersonation for his personal gain and facilitated the land grabbers for illegal transactions.

Thus, Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Ravikamatham Mandal (now retired) of erstwhile Visakhapatnam District and presently Anakapalli District, being responsible Govt., Servant, by the above mentioned acts, has misused his powers, acted irresponsibly towards his duties, failed to maintain absolute integrity, discipline, impartiality and commuted gross irregularities by violating the A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 and spoiled the reputation of Government and sustained loss and mental agony to the land owners.

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI PUMA MAHESWARA RAO, FORMER TAHSILDAR, RAVIKAMATHAM MANDAL (NOW RETIRED) OF ERSTWHILE VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT AND PRESENTLY ANAKAPALLI DISTRICT.

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As per the reports of the Inquiry officer & Sub-Collector, Narsipatnam, Sri Eedala Jogi is the Pattadar for the lands under dispute, that Sri P.Uma Maheswara Rao, the then Tahsildar, Ravikummtham (now Retired) with the influence of the retired Revenue Divisional Officer Sri Korada Surya Rao has incorporated the name of Eedala Jogi Raju, S/o Pydayya as pattadar for the lands in S.No.153/4 in Katha No.493. But, no records are available as to how the then Tahsildar and RDO have arrived to confirm the right in favour of Sri Eedala Jogi Raju since there is no relation between the original pattadar Sri Eedala Jogi and Eedala Jogi Raju whose name was deliberately mutated in the Revenue Records.

Further, Sri Eedula Jogi Raju has transferred the land measuring an extent of Ac.11.14Cts in favour of Korada people by way of two register sale deeds vide document No.4921/2015 & 4575/2015. Further, in the deposition given before the Sub-Collector, Narsipatnam on 03.12.2020, Sri Eedala Jogi Raju has stated that, he knows very well about Eedala Jogi family. Eedala Jogi has large extent of land and after the death of Eedala Jogi, his granddaughters and great grandson were in possession and enjoyment of the land Ac.14-13 cts in S.No.153/4. Further, he stated that he was lured with money offered by Korada Jayalakshmi and Korada Sadhu Jagannadharao for doing favour of registration of land measuring Ac.11-14cts and to act as Eedala Jogi (the land owner of the land in question). They got his signature and thumb impression on the registered documents. Despite of work done by him he has not received any money from Korada family. Hence, it is clear that, with the active collusion of the then RDO, Narsiptnam with the then Tahsildar, Ravikamatam, the above two illegal sale transactions happened. As such, the erred officers is liable for initiation of disciplinary proceedings under relevant rules and a responsible Govt., Servant acting irregular and with criminal motto cannot be viewed in a lenient manner.

The mutation of irregular person in web land by the charged officer, facilitated for impersonation and illegal sale transactions. Thus, it has become necessary to take cognizance and directed to initiate appropriate proceedings against the said erred officials

Hence the Charges.

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ANNEXURE - III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI P.UMA MAHESWARA RAO, FORMER TAHSILDAR, RAVIKAMATHAM MANDAL, (NOW RETIRED) OF ERSTWHILE VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT AND PRESENTLY ANAKAPALLI DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED

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1. Lr.Dis.No.2452/2016/B2/1532/2017, dt.03.03.2017 of the Registrar, Institution of Lokayukta, Hyderabad.
2. Lr.Rc.No.659/2017/D2, dt. 19.04.2017 of the District Collector, Visakhapatnam.
3. Lr.Rc. No.659/2017/D2, dt.10.01.2021 of the District Collector, Visakhapatnam along with Lr.Rc.No.1170/2020/C, dt. 12.10.2020 of the Sub-Collector, Narsipatnam.

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ANNEXURE IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI P.UMA MAHESWARA RAO, FORMER TAHSILDAR, RAVIKAMATHAM MANDAL (NOW RETIRED) OF ERSTWHILE VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT AND PRESENTLY ANAKAPALLI DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

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